

MS AF
REPLY UNDER
37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP
PATENT 4450-0241P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Alnoor M. SHIVJI et al. Conf.:

1520

Appl. No.:

09/661,203

Group:

2661

Filed:

September 14, 2000

Examiner: MOORE, Ian N.

For:

METHOD AND APPARATUSES FOR PROVIDING

MULTIPLE SERVICES FROM ANY SLOT IN A

SONET SYSTEM HAVING MULTIPLE SLOTS

RECEIVED

AUG 3 0 2004

REPLY AFTTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. S 1.116 Technology Center 2600

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 August 25, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated May 14, 2004, the due date for response having been petitioned to be extended one (1) month to August 25, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This Paper includes:

Amendments to the Claims, which are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks/Arguments, which begin on page 12 of this paper.

08/26/2004 SSESHE1 00000014 09661203

01 FC:1202 02 FC:1201 03 FC:1251 54.00 OF